UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

ROBERT P. LARGESS,

Plaintiff,

v.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT FOR THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, et al.,

Defendants.



CIVIL ACTION NO. 04-10921-JLT

<u>DEFENDANTS' AND INTERVENERS' SECOND ASSENTED-TO</u> <u>MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR RESPONDING TO COMPLAINT</u>

The defendants and interveners move, with plaintiffs' assent, to extend the time for them to respond to the amended complaint until 20 days after either (1) the United States Supreme Court rules on the petition for <u>certiorari</u> that plaintiffs expect to file, or (2) the plaintiffs inform defendants' and intervenors' counsel that they will not file such a petition, and then until such further time (if any) as the parties may agree to. As grounds therefor, the defendants and interveners state that the Supreme Court's decision on whether to grant <u>certiorari</u> may affect the content of their response to the amended complaint, and that no prejudice will result to plaintiffs from extending the response time as requested herein.

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